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SUBJECT: TERMS OF REFERENCE: S.E. "THE SCOPE AND NATURE OF
SOVIET MILITARY PREPARATIONS IN THE FAR EAST"

THE PROBLEM

To determine the scope and nature of Soviet military preparations in the Far East during the past six months and to estimate the significance of such preparations.

QUESTIONS BEARING ON THE PROBLEM

I. WHAT SOVIET MILITARY PREPARATIONS HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN THE FAR EAST DURING THE LAST SIX MONTHS AND WHERE HAVE THESE BEEN MOST PROMOUNCED?

A. Ground

1. Changes in training (Ground, sea, and air)
2. Changes in equipment (Ground, sea, and air)
3. Changes in morale (Ground, sea, and air)
4. Changes in leadership (Ground, sea, and air)
5. Changes in logistical support (Ground, sea, and air)
6. Changes in deployment (Ground, sea, and air)

B. Sea

1. Changes in training (Ground, sea, and air)
2. Changes in equipment (Ground, sea, and air)
3. Changes in morale (Ground, sea, and air)
4. Changes in leadership (Ground, sea, and air)
5. Changes in logistical support (Ground, sea, and air)
6. Changes in deployment (Ground, sea, and air)

C. Air

1. Changes in training (Ground, sea, and air)

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2. Changes in equipment (Ground, sea, and air)
3. Changes in morale (Ground, sea, and air)
4. Changes in leadership (Ground, sea, and air)
5. Changes in logistical support (Ground, sea, and air)
6. Changes in deployment (Ground, sea, and air)

II. WHAT PERCENTAGE INCREASE (OR DECREASE) IN SOVIET MILITARY ACTIVITIES AND STRENGTH IN THE FAR EAST IS ESTIMATED TO HAVE OCCURRED OVER THE PAST SIX MONTHS?

- A. Present ground activity and strength and percentage of change in both
- B. Present sea activity and strength and percentage of change in both
- C. Present air activity and strength and percentage of change in both

III. TO WHAT EXTENT HAVE CHANGES AFFECTED SOVIET OFFENSIVE CAPABILITIES AGAINST:

- A. United Nations Forces in Korea
- B. United States Forces in Japan, Ryuku Islands, Alaska, and the continental U. S.

IV. TO WHAT EXTENT HAVE CHANGES AFFECTED SOVIET DEFENSIVE CAPABILITIES?

V. HAVE THERE BEEN ANY CHANGES IN SOVIET MILITARY CAPABILITIES OR ^{political} ~~POTENTIAL~~ ATTITUDE IN EUROPE OR THE MIDDLE EAST WHICH MIGHT INDICATE SOVIET INTENTIONS IN THE FAR EAST?

VI. ARE THE CHANGED SOVIET MILITARY CAPABILITIES IN THE FAR EAST RELATED TO THE THE JAPANESE PEACE TREATY, JAPANESE REARMAMENT, ~~OR~~ THE PENDING COUNCIL OF FOREIGN MINISTERS, OR OTHER AREAS OF SOVIET INTEREST?

VII. WHAT IS THE SIGNIFICANCE IN TERMS OF SOVIET INTENTIONS OF THEIR CHANGED MILITARY CAPABILITIES?

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